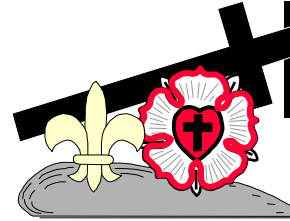


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Next LASPSA Meeting

Lutheran Association on Scouting, Puget Sound Area's next meeting will be Saturday, January 22nd in Arlington. It will take place at the Eagle Crest Restaurant. Dinner is available at 5:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. All members and friends of LASPSA are invited.

The meeting will be following Mt. Baker Council's University of Scouting, taking place at Arlington Middle School.

Eagle Crest Restaurant is at 21102 67th Ave. NE, Arlington. The phone number is 360-474-0188.

For further information, call Tal Johnson at 360-387-7147 or TJohnsonScout35@aol.com

2005 Coffee Stop Dates

Tal Johnson reports that the WSDOT has granted LASPSA some great dates to supply coffee to weary travelers. The dates are:

- Friday, June 24, 2:30 pm through
- Monday, June 27, 1:00 pm.

Weekends in the summer are the busiest time. We'll again be asking for your help. Two people should be in the booth together at the same time throughout the weekend. Typically, work shifts are six hours long.

If you, your family, your friends, or your unit wish to help out, let Tal Johnson know.



(Chris Myer helping out a few years back.)

WashJam 2004 Report

LASPSA sponsored a booth in the relationships tent at the WashJam event last Labor Day weekend at Fort Lewis. Sponsored by Western Washington Boy Scout Councils, thousands of Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Venture Scouts came together for a Jamboree style event.



Our booth was especially popular from the get go. We gave out over 600 buttons – a big hit with

everyone and we asked that recipients wear them for the day. Scouts were eager to get a button. Additionally we gave out written material to many Scouters and Scouts.

The other booths started as a static booth but used our example and set up dynamic items on the second day (Sunday). Frank Charvat reported that most of the evaluations came back very positive.

Thanks go out to Bruce Anderson for coordinating the LASPSA effort and to Tal Johnson for setting up the LASPSA booth on Saturday. Marc Anderson prepared the button artwork and assisted on Saturday. Additional help at the booth on Saturday and Sunday came from John Paulson, Frank and Carol Charvat, Curt Eidem, Darel Roa, and Terry Woodman.

LASPSA Calendar

- **January 22** - University of Scouting, Arlington Middle School 8:30-4:30
- **January 22** - LASPSA business meeting, Eagle Crest Restaurant, Arlington
- **June 24-27** - Coffee Stop, northbound Smokey Point rest area

President's Corner



Greetings Puget Sound Scouters as I begin to serve as your new president.

I send kudos and recognition to our past president Bruce Anderson for his great leadership these last two years. Congratulations also

for being recognized in the November 28th Pacific Northwest Magazine for the design work of he and his firm Cutler-Anderson.

Members of our Lutheran Association will be promoting the God and Country Awards Program again this year at Mt. Baker Council's University of Scouting 2005 on Saturday,

January 22nd at Arlington Middle School. The hours are from 8:30-4:30. The first meeting in 2005 of LASPSA will be held the same evening at the Eagle Crest Restaurant, 21102 67th Ave. NE, Arlington. The phone number is 360-474-0188. We will gather at 5:30 pm, eat dinner if you want and start our meeting around 6:30pm. I hope to see you there.

I just received our 2005 rest area coffee stop dates from the DOT. We are assigned to northbound Smokey Point Rest Area at 2pm on Friday, June 24 thru 1pm on Monday, June 27, 2005. Please put these dates on your calendar as a reminder

May all of you have a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year

Tal Johnson, LASPSA President

LASPSA Officers Elected

Congratulations to John Paulson and Erik Paulson for their re-election to Treasurer & Secretary respectively. Elections were held at the September 12th meeting. The nomination committee is still working to identify a candidate for President-Elect.

Tal Johnson assumed the Presidency from Bruce Anderson at that meeting.

Congratulations!

Four Adult Lutheran Recognition Awards will be presented January 9th during the 11:00 AM worship service at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Bellevue (2650 - 148th Ave. S.E.)

Presented with the Lamb Award will be Mark Davis of Bellevue.

Presented with the Servant of Youth Award will be Matt Scott and Sharon Scott, both of, Lake Stevens, and Hal Ferris of Bellevue.

Join us in helping to congratulate these four Lutherans. *(Note: although their families are aware of the festivities, the four individuals will not find out until the actual presentation January 9th)*

"Scouting in the Church's Ministry" Conference Dates

The "Scouting in the Church's Ministry" conference dates this summer are August 7-13. Programs are available to the whole family.

Each summer, hundreds of volunteers from across the United States come to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico for training offered by the Boy Scouts of America. Scouting brings the top volunteer and professional subject matter experts to facilitate these courses.

Through this conference, clergy, lay leaders, and Scouters will be better equipped to use Scouting as a resource in their ministry to children, youth, and families. Emphasis will be given to outreach, leadership development, and intergenerational activities.

Anyone involved with church youth—pastors, youth ministers, youth program coordinators, charter organization representatives, and members of district or council relationships committees—is encouraged to attend.

For further information, contact one of the LASPSA officers listed on the next page.

"Religious Emblems for Youth And Adults"

A new course at the Philmont Training Center this year is "Religious Emblems for Youth and Adults." It will take place August 7-13 and will be taught by Mark and Debbie Hazlewood of P.R.A.Y.

This course will include an overview of religious emblems in general, including how the emblems are created, approved, and administered. There will be a review of a number of the existing programs. A large focus of this part of the course will be on the why and the how of promoting religious emblems.

The second half of the course will explain why and how religious emblems can be a valuable membership tool. The focus on this

part of the class will be how to use emblems to create both short- and long-term membership growth strategies.

For further information, contact one of the LASPSA officers listed on bottom of this page.

Can you receive this by Email?

This newsletter is sent out by Email to many friends and members of LASPSA as an Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) file. If you are able to receive it in this manner rather than a paper copy, please method, let Erik Paulson know.

Please send me information on the following:

- Joining the Lutheran Association of Scouters, Puget Sound Area
- Joining the National Lutheran Association on Scouting
- Organizing scouting units in my congregation for:
 - Boys
 - Girls
- Religious growth awards for youth
- Religious recognition programs for adults
- Training programs available for me or my unit

I can help LASPSA out in the following areas:

- Coffee stop
- Camp Chapel restoration & repairs
- Religious Recognitions Program Promotion
- Other _____

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